

## Re: RFA Update - Cartier Square Drill Hall and other NCR Infrastructure

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Thank you for this update. Best, Anita

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**Subject:** RFA Update - Cartier Square Drill Hall and other NCR Infrastructure

Minister,

I wanted to update you as the protests in downtown Ottawa are unfolding. CAF remains closely tied in with Federal and Provincial authorities as well as police officials. There have been daily coordination meetings with all security agencies and situation is being closely monitored by all national security organizations. It is the general assessment, as of noon today, that the activities are mainly non-violent and that indicators point towards this relatively peaceful trend to continue. Law enforcement agencies and in constant communications with the publicly-known organizers of the protests and they have shown good cooperation in messaging the need for a peaceful demonstration.

As per your email below, you approved an anticipated request from Public Safety to have law enforcement organizations use some of our CAF infrastructure, namely the Cartier Square Drill Hall parking lot. You may have heard through your office that MPS has received the request, as we received this morning request at officials level and I have directed the CAF to provide the use of our parking lot and infrastructure to support local law enforcement organizations. At no time will CAF members be employed in a security of enforcement role, nor will they conduct any assistance to law enforcement tasks.

Minister, officials from across government remain in close coordination to ensure the safety of all. I will update you again tomorrow, unless significant events occur before.

V/R

Wayne

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 28, 2022, at 18:50, Anand, Anita **Personal Info.** @parl.gc.ca> wrote:

Thank you for this email. I approve. Best Anita

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**Subject:** Pre-emptive RFA Authorization - Cartier Square Drill Hall and other NCR  
Infrastructure

Minister,

As I mentioned earlier, a convoy of Canadian truck drivers and their supporters are travelling from various cities to Ottawa to protest a federal vaccine mandate for truck drivers crossing the Canadian-United States (US) border. Law enforcement officials from several jurisdictions are currently joining efforts to plan and execute law enforcement operations within the City of Ottawa in response to this event. We expect that the RCMP, through Public Safety, will request CAF support in the form of infrastructure assistance and have requested access to Cartier Square Drill hall parking area to use as a staging area for use by the different law enforcement agency involved in this operation. It is expected, as planning continue, that other similar request could arise for other DND owned or leased infrastructure in the City of Ottawa and Gatineau which I will consider on a case by case basis if you approve this request.

Subject to your approval pursuant to NDA ss. 273.6(2), and upon receipt of an official RFA from PS, I intend to direct the CAF to provide the following support:

- As capacity allows, provide access to infrastructure for use by law enforcement officials.

CAF support is required as soon as practical, but only once the MPS has submitted his RFA to you, and after I have received your direction. It is quite possible that he could be submitting this RFA directly to you via email shortly. I assess this assistance would be in the national interest.

The duration of the support is expected to last until the RCMP and other law enforcement agencies have completed their operation, which is expected to last two to three days, but depending on the situation, could last longer.

The issues surrounding law enforcement have been carefully considered. At no time will CAF members be employed in a security or enforcement role, nor will they conduct any assistance to law enforcement tasks.

Should additional support be required by PS to support law enforcement officials, beyond what you have authorized, I will return to you with additional advice.

I will keep you apprised of developments, Minister.

V/R

Wayne

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